

The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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The Big Drive is at its Height This Week to go Over the Top

The Last Charge is to be Made on Foreign Mission Day the Fourteenth of May

HEAVEN CHEAP

AT ANY COST

Let us Have a Closer Fellowship and Help One Another More.

God's Eye Looks Into Every Heart.

They may make it all right, but I do not see how some folks are ever going to get inside the pearly gates. The Bible certainly teaches restitution, but some folks do not seem to restore. With a Christian a debt never gets too old to pay. A man may get too poor to pay, but certainly not too old. Some people I know who claim to be religious, owe debts too old to be collected by law and accumulate and live high but they seem to have no thought or concern about that back debt.

I've heard of scores and hundreds of men who have had to pay for stolen chickens, stolen hogs, stolen sheep, stolen goods of different kinds before God would ever forgive their sins and save them. Others have had to promise the Lord that they would pay debts and restore property, or give themselves up to the authorities when they had been fleeing from justice. Usually a good red rot revival in a community replenishes the till of the neighborhood merchant. Old store accounts that were forgotten have been hunted up. The Holy Ghost will unearth things that have been lying dormant and forgotten for years.

A certain brother tried to get sanctified. He had done all he knew, he said. Prayed, cried, consecrated, believed the best he could, tried to take it by dry faith, even tried to claim the experience without anything having taken place in the heart. But everything failed. Nothing at all doing. God just simply would not do it. At last while in prayer alone the form of something seemed to begin to show itself to his vision. It kept on developing and brightening until finally he saw a full grown sheep. He tried to brush the vision from his mind thinking it was only imagination, but it would not leave. Every time he went to prayer that sheep vision went with him. He tried in vain to pray over it and around it, but his prayers were worthless. The heavens seemed like brass and the sheep was constantly before him.

"What does this mean?" he cried, in the agony of his soul. "What have I to do with a sheep? Help me, Lord! Show me what this means or take it out of my way for I want to be sanctified wholly." After a few hours of honest searching and waiting, the explanation came clear to his mind. It had been about twelve years since he was driving a flock of sheep to market and as he was passing a neighbor's pasture one of his neighbor's sheep jumped out into the road with the sheep and was driven off to the market with the other sheep and sold.

This incident had long been forgotten. It was not presented when he was converted, but now that he wanted to get sanctified it came with such force that there was no getting away from it. What must he do? He was ashamed to go to his neighbor and tell him about it. And it had been so long, and when he made no pretense of religion, and what's the use of stirring up old things any way? He reasoned and tried to pray, but his prayers were nothing, for he was dry and powerless. This continued for days, while his

conviction deepened. He began to feel that his case was hopeless. But the good Spirit was faithful and held the sheep before him and the conviction on him. He was miserable. He wanted to die to get out of his miserable condition. The burden finally got so heavy that it was crushing him and he felt himself almost dropping into hell. With a tremendous effort he decided he would go to his neighbor, tell him about the sheep and pay him for it. This decision did not release him, but he went over the way and told all about the sheep incident and laid the money over into the hands of his farmer friend. The friend was very kind and commended him for his good decision and the affair was over. The brother went home feeling that he had at least done his duty. Soon he was back at the meeting, and the way was clear because when he commenced to pray there was no sheep there. The first altar service witnessed a number that had found their way to the Lord, and among them was the sheep troubled brother. He was restored to salvation and sanctified wholly and his face shone bright as he testified to what the Lord had done for his soul. His was a real experience that made him clean and pure and ready for heaven. And a man like that will surely make it through.

I know of some who have professed religion, lived a very good life a little while, but soon they were tripped up and went down. Examine those lives and there will almost always be found a black place that they have refused to brighten by confession, paying back bills, security debts, stolen goods, cheats in trades, or something that that blessed faithful Spirit had His eye on. I have watched a number of cases without saying anything to any body about them. I have never seen it fail. Unless a good foundation is laid by making a clean breast of everything and paying up or promising to do it as soon as possible it is only a matter of time till the good sweet experience has gone to the wind.

A certain man had been converted, backslidden and reclaimed several times. Another time came for making a start again. His heart was tender and all broken up. He asked me to pray for him. I had prayed and helped him up several times before. This time I sat down to talk the matter over with him. I went over the past and showed him that there must undoubtedly be something back in his life that he never got out of the way which was the cause of his downfall so much. At first he tried to evade my questions and put on an air of confidence. But I kept right after him. I said, "I will not pray for your salvation any more until I can have some assurance of you going to the very bottom of your life and straightening up what is always causing your downfall. The Spirit was close by and soon a seriousness came over him and he began to pour out a stream of thefts, and other things that he was guilty of and had never submitted himself to justice nor tried to pay for the stolen property nor even confess and ask for mercy and forgiveness. The

question was now before him. It was either make these things right, straighten up and be a Christian, or turn to something worse the other way. He was in the balance for several minutes. I prayed, I pleaded and waited. I knew what had to be done if he ever became a Christian. At length he raised himself up and with a hard, determined expression on his face said, "I'll not do it." I still begged him, and tried to show him it was better to meet those people he had wronged, ask their mercy and pardon, pay for the stolen goods than to go to hell and suffer the agonies of death forever and ever. But all was vain. He still insisted, "I'll not do it. I can't afford to face it. I will lose my standing. I can't meet the men with such acknowledgements on my lips."

I hung my head for sorrow. He and I were good friends, but the thing was over. Conviction left him. I have not seen him for many long years, but have heard that he went from bad to worse and has never tried to seek salvation since. His precious wife, who was once a bright Christian, was dragged into thieving and God only knows what will become of them. They held their heads up in the community and I never heard of them being taken to prison, but the cases were plain to those who claimed to know.

Many other similar cases could be cited to prove that God demands a straightening up of back lives to get clear through to heaven. He knows when the very last barrier is out of the way. And the fire will usually fall when the last ditch is crossed and the last bridge burned. It was certainly an amusing sight to see what happened next morning after a heartsearching sermon and a deeper searching by the Holy Ghost the night before. There was Mr. B. with a sack of flour on his shoulder hurrying down the way just at break of day, there was uncle Billie S. going the other way just as fast as his feet could take him, carrying a ham of meat, but the funniest of all were the young men slipping up at the back fence tossing the chickens into the back yards. They were taking things home. And it was time, but let me tell you, the revival fire broke into that neighborhood about right and hundreds were swept into the kingdom.

I was once preaching at F. and one night that I specially remember, after the sermon was over, a fine looking gentleman came walking up the aisle. I met him at the altar, took him by the hand, expecting him to ask for prayer. "Well," he began, "that sermon has cost me a round hundred dollars." At first I wondered if I had hit on something that suited him so well that he was going to give me one hundred dollars. But I was soon put right as he went on to say, "I owe a bill of exactly one hundred dollars to a party in the state of Kansas. I do not have to pay it, yet I justly owe it. It could not be collected by law and I guess I would not be required to pay it if I were not able to pay it, but I am able. I have the money, and the man to whom I owe it needs it. I had made up my mind that I would never pay it, but tonight I saw myself dropping into hell and that hundred dollars was weighting me down, down, down. I don't want to go to hell. I had a good mother and she made me promise her on her dying bed that I would meet her in heaven, and I want to keep that promise, but I am now fully convinced that I'll never see the angel face of my dear old mother if I do not pay

that man his money." By this time the tears were raining from his eyes. It is hardly worth while telling that my eyes were somewhat moistened also. "Now," he said, "I want you to pray for me, I want to meet that dear old mother who clapped her bony hands and rejoiced and shouted her way into heaven." By this time we were both ready to pray about right. I have but little recollection of what was going on in the congregation after I first met the man at the altar, but just a faint notice of an altar full of seekers and hearing the cries and pleadings as they prayed and wept their way to the cross and found the Savior. I never heard of that man any more, but I suppose he is now in heaven with that painted mother, for I could not think of him failing to enter in after the confession, decision and prayers of that night.

I tell you, beloved, I am afraid of selfishness. I had rather die a pauper and be buried in the potter's field than to keep some body's money and not pay them what I owe them and lose my soul by the transaction. I suppose a person might be reduced to poverty by misfortunes, sickness in the family, and other ills, and be excused and go into glory, but I do not know just where the line is drawn. I notice that when men are about to die they often get in a hurry to get their business straightened up, and their debts paid or in a shape that they can be. Not long since a dear man who had been lingering between life and death for weeks called one of his friends to his bedside and reached up and pulled him down and whispered something in his ear about a note that was unpaid. He was restless about it, and he could not be satisfied until his friend promised to take care of it for him. He was not able to pay it, his family was reduced to poverty so they could not pay it, and this friend was kind enough to promise him that he would pay it and told him not to let it bother him any longer. What relief it seemed to give him! The man died in a few hours and I suppose went to heaven, and his friend, true to his word, paid the note off so that was not against him.

But I'm afraid of such hair-breadth escapes as that if that were one. It is not every one that can get some friend to pay off some obligation in the very last moments and expect no returns. But this man did that to give his dying friend a satisfied mind and conscience with which to die. If that is paying a man's way into heaven I guess there could be no objections, and I do not say that it is, but I do say that if it took that to save the man's soul, it was worth all it cost and the friend who paid the debt will certainly reap a rich reward.

It is usually considered that it is not the man that would pay if he could that loses his soul over his debts, but it is the man that could pay and won't. Whether this is the correct view or not I am sure some could do better than they do and where this is the case I'm afraid they may not make it through.

I am now going to close this message, and it can be taken for what it is worth. It is not given to condemn those who are doing their best, but rather to show that a debt never gets too old to pay, and should be paid even if fortune does not crown one's efforts for twenty, thirty and forty years after the debt is made. I want the world to know that our people will pay old security debts and everything else if they ever get able

FINISH IT UP

NEXT SUNDAY

The Big Mountain Must go Into the Sea Casplash.

Push Your Best on Foreign Mission Day.

There is little more time to say anything about the big drive on this side. It will be over before this message reaches all for whom it is intended. But the following Sunday is to be the big follow up train to see that all the gaps are laid up as a kind of an inspecting party, and to make up the fragments of shortage that may be trailing along the way. It will require good attention and every pastor should do his best, and every church should contribute liberally on that day as the Evangel is looked upon as one of our best missionaries, and I am sure there will be need for every dollar raised that day. Foreign Mission day will come before headquarters will have time to get up the reports, but there is no danger of getting too much. In fact, there has been a shortage so long that it would be fine to have some surplus funds to fall back on one time in the history of the publishing house enterprise.

This is not my business any more than yours. The publishing plant is owned and operated by the Church of God. The business has never paid me anything for my services except the happiness of managing it, but this is good pay because it has all been done for Jesus and His Church, and I am happy and full of joy because I have stuck to it until we have this great equipment turning out the gospel by the millions. And I will be still happier if I can pull on through until every bill is paid so I can turn it over to the next man the Church may select, free from incumbrance. And now we must finish it up next Sunday with the Foreign Mission day drive. Every church is supposed to make a special effort to raise a large amount and the collections are to go to the Publishing House drive.

This big drive has been a happy one. Thousands have been enthusiastic workers to put it over the top, and now the big mountain must go into the sea casplash and every one must push your best on Foreign Mission Day to make sure of it going over with a bound.

It will not be long until the count will be on and the reports will begin to go out. Doubtless there will be something ready for the paper next week. It is hardly likely that a full report will be ready, but look out for something. And those who have done their best will surely be the happiest. And since it seems now that all the members are into it to do their best, there will surely be a happy lot of people scattered over the many states of the union.

One of the rules governing this drive is that the "General Overseer appoint a Sunday soon after the count and announcement of the amount, as a day of Jubilee and Rejoicing and Thanksgiving to God for victory." The day is not decided yet. We will give ample notice in the Evangel so all may know just when it will be so we can

and they are all industrious and trying to get able. God bless them. I love them all and would gladly pay them all out of debt if I were able. May God prosper and help us to meet our obligations. Good night!

all rejoice together. And what a time of rejoicing it will be when it is known surely that the mountain is in the sea and the complete victory is won.

It was by faith that great things were done in Bible times and faith can do things yet. A study of the faith chapter—the eleventh chapter of Hebrews—reveals some things done by faith, that are startling and most wonderful. After the writer had been itemizing the different miraculous deeds that had been done he seemed to have exhausted his ability to explain so he said, "And what shall I more say?" And this is about all I know to say in closing out this great campaign. I do not know what more the committee will have to say, I guess they will have something, but I think I will feel so light and blest that I will not know of anything more to say. But by the help of the Lord, I'll be obedient to the rules and will call the day of Jubilee so that we may all rejoice together. And since we never had such a day as this in the Church of God it will be something new, but I believe we will all feel like rejoicing when we hear the splash of the water as the mountain topples over and sinks beneath the waves and is gone, gone forever.

But the day—the day of Jubilee—what will it be when every member of the Church of God lays down all their troubles and spends one day in rejoicing and giving God the glory! Amen!

We made mention of Mother's day last week. This note is made as a gentle reminder of what has already been said in regard to the observance of Mother's day. I think it will be good for all of our Sunday schools to observe this day to do honor to the mothers who are living as well as to those who are dead. And this is something that every one can take part in. If your mother is living do her honor and show your love to her while she is with you, if she is gone then you can honor her memory. If she is gone you should wear a white rose on your left breast, if she is living wear a red rose. Of course there is no compulsion about this, but surely every body will be delighted to do honor to mother by this little token of remembrance of her love.

I find that quite a number of letters have been addressed to some of the office clerks from time to time. I have no objections to their friends writing them whenever they want to, but I would rather all mail pertaining to the business of the house—orders, information, questions, business, complaints, remittances, church work of any kind, etc., etc.—would be addressed to A.J. Tomlinson, the Evangel Office, or Publishing House. To address letters any other way throws them out of the regular channel and causes loss of time and more or less confusion, and besides, it is more difficult for us to keep our records. I trust this notice will be the means of regulating this part of our work, and that all will see the importance of complying with this request.

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We invite all the workers to send
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field. If nothing else a postal card
telling where you are this week.

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REQUESTS

Dollie Wright, Red Bay, Ala., de-
sires prayer for her husband to re-
ceive the Holy Ghost.

John Shirley, Whitwell, Tenn., asks
the Evangel readers to pray for his
eyes to be healed.

Sam Olinger, Elizabethton, Tenn., asks
the saints to fast and pray that he
will be healed.

Ella Cranswell, Dora, Ala., asks the
saints to pray for Sister Bula Sim-
mons to be healed of cancer.

Hattie Mae Cooper, Dodd City, Tex.,
wishes all the saints to pray for
her to receive the gift of healing.

Bertha Mullins, Gloster, Miss., asks
prayer for a friend who has had
white swelling for twenty years.

M. Z. Stamps, Alabama City, Ala.,
asks prayer to be completely healed
and for God to save her husband
and two sons.

Mattie Campbell, Alabama City, Ala.,
requests the saints to pray for her
niece to be healed. She is very low.

Georgia Hawkins, Tippo, Miss., asks
those who know the value of prayer
to pray that she will be healed of
chills and malaria.

Clista Wright, Red Bay, Ala., asks
the saints to pray for her father to
be saved and for an opportunity to
attend meeting.

M. M. Perry, Glen Allen, Ala., asks
prayer for her children to see the
light on holiness and walk in it
and that she may be healed.

Elizabeth Deal, Simms, L. I. Bah., re-
quests all the dear saints to pray
much for her. She suffers very
much with back trouble.

Mrs. A. M. Graves, Walterboro, S. C.,
asks prayer to be healed of indiges-
tion, for her husband to be healed
of heart trouble and a pain in his
side and for her children to be
healed.

Mrs. Maud Clark, Cason, Tex., re-
quests the saints to fast and pray
for little Dovie Thompson to be com-
pletely healed and for Mrs. A. E.
Long to be healed. Also for God to
convict homes to accept holiness.

A sister in Christ, Fort Payne, Ala.,
requests everybody that reads this
to pray for a fifteen-year-old colored
boy of Gadsden, Ala., who is to be
hung May 5th. Pray for his soul to
be saved and, if possible, for him
to be saved from the gallows.

I would like to know the where-
abouts of W. L. Ritch, last heard of
at Alston, Ga. If any one knows

please write me as I am his band
leader.

Lewis Mathis,
R. A. Box 11, Jesup, Ga.

We have not yet been in touch with
Maggie Spires. If any one knows
where she is please write me or any of
the members at Kennesaw, Ga.

Mrs. Gillie Millwood,
R. 3, Box 116, Kennesaw, Ga.

The Atlanta district meeting will
convene in Atlanta, Ga., on May 13th
and 14th. All are invited to attend.
The board of judges will meet at
Lindale on May 10th.

S. W. Latimer, state overseer.

I have a son I have not heard from
since last June. He is slender and has
fair complexion and blue eyes. When
last heard from he was in Oklahoma
with a woman and two children. His
name is James Robert Aaron Perry.
If any one knows his address please
write me.

Mrs. M. M. Perry,
Glen Allen, Ala.

The Church of God at Tusquitee,
N. C., would like to hear from the fol-
lowing members in regard to their
spiritual condition:

Mrs. Arrie Cruse, Maye Cruse, Pau-
line Sanders, Harley Sanders, Lena
Argo.

Our district meeting will convene at
the Poplar Grove church, Ark., June
10-12, D. V. I want all the deacons
and evangelists to be there. The
judges will be present and if you have
anything that needs to come before
them have it all framed up ready for
same.

Your unworthy servant,
John Burk, overseer of Ark.

Camp Meeting, Miami, Fla.
The annual camp meeting for the
Florida district is to be held with the
Miami Church of God (17th St., N.
W. 5th Court), May 14-25.

We invite the ministers and co-
workers to come and trust God for
support and help in this great cam-
paign for the salvation of lost souls.
This is a very great city and many
people here. We are praying and ask
you to pray with us for a great out-
pouring of the Holy Ghost during the
fifteen days of ingathering. We are
expecting the greatest revival ever
held in this part of the state. Come!
Come! Pray!

J. D. Williams, clerk,
Thos. J. Richardson, dist. pastor.

Missouri State Assembly
To be held at Mountain Grove, Mo.,
August 1-5, 1922. We are expecting a
good time and a good program with
plenty of good able preachers. We
expect the state board to meet at
this Assembly. We also expect every
preacher in the state to come, if pos-
sible, and everybody else who can
come either in this state or from other
states are invited to come and be with
us. Pray for the success of this meet-
ing.

We will probably follow this Assem-
bly with an old time Pentecostal re-
vival, the Lord willing. Please don't
forget the date and place and come if
you can. We expect to make this one
of the greatest meetings that has ever
been held in Missouri. Come! Come!

E. L. Pinkley, overseer
3t.—EOW Couch, Mo.

The Cleveland people are looking
forward to May 21st with great de-
light as we expect to observe some
commandments of our Lord. We will
have our regular eleven o'clock ser-
vice, following Sunday school, and a
baptismal service in the afternoon.
Quite a large number are to follow
the Lord in this.

At night we will observe the Lord's
supper and feet washing at the Audi-
torium. All the South Cleveland,
Sunnyside and East Side saints are
expected to be with us and we are
looking for a general feast because of
the presence of the Lord. Pray to
this end.

In the Master's service,
J. S. Llewellyn, pastor,
2524 Gaut St.,
Cleveland, Tenn.

IN MEMORY OF

BRYANT
On Dec. 22, 1921 the death angel
claimed Brother J. E. Bryant, age 68
years.

He was married about forty years
ago to Miss Susan Woodard and to
this union were born thirteen children,
four having preceded him.

Brother Bryant will be greatly
missed at church and home. He often
told us he wouldn't be here long. I
am sure he was warned of his soon
departure. He stood for holiness and
the Church of God of which he was a
loyal member.

He leaves a wife and nine children
to mourn their loss.

The funeral was conducted by the
writer in the presence of relatives and
friends and his body was laid to rest
in Benson cemetery to await the resur-
rection morning.

His pastor,
J. A. West,
Stedman, N. C.

BRACKETT
On the morning of Feb. 12, 1922 the
death angel visited the home of Mr.
and Mrs. Jesse Brackett and carried
away the spirit of their darling little
Bonniefay, age 7 years, 8 months and
17 days.

She was sick only one week with
septic pneumonia. Her suffering was
very great but she bore it patiently.
In her great suffering she would slap
her little hands and praise the Lord.
She would say, "Bye, bye, mama, I
am going home." During her sick-
ness she sang, "God's Children are

never heard her sing it before. She
would turn her eyes heavenward and
talk of Jesus and the angels just as
if she were looking into heaven.

God took her where no parting fare-
well will be heard.

She was laid to rest in Mt. Pleas-
ant cemetery to await the resurrec-
tion.

Her aunt,
Kate Nichols.

JACKSON
On March 6, 1922, the death angel
visited the home of Milton Jackson
and claimed his loving wife, Exie
Jackson, age 18 years.

Two weeks before her death she
called for prayer. The saints from
Lindale came and prayed with her.
She was saved, sanctified and added
to the great Church of God.

She leaves husband and baby, and
many other relatives and friends to
mourn her loss. But we do not sor-
row as those who have no hope for
we expect to meet her in the land of
day.

Funeral service was conducted by
Brother Horace Nance of Lindale. Her
body was laid to rest in the Damas-
cus cemetery to await the coming of
Jesus.

May the Lord bless the bereaved
ones.

The Lord a little jewel called,
A tender flower was she;
A wife and mother dear has gone,
With Jesus she may be.

So young and tender was this flower,
But Jesus loved her so,
That in her days of suffering here
He knocked at her heart's door.

She yielded to this loving voice
And called His saints for prayer,
And Jesus saved this mother dear
Before her dying hour.

Those smiles upon her little face,
As sweet peace thrilled her soul,
Will never be forgotten,
While the wheel of time doth roll.

He wants me to laugh while you all
cry,
This little jewel smiled and said,
Just after Jesus cleansed her heart,
As the saints wept around her bed.

We loved her, yes, we loved her,
But in Jesus she doth sleep;
And in Him comfort we can find,
While our hearts are made to weep.

Oh, husband of the precious one,
Look up to Jesus now,
And fully yield your heart to Him,
And to His sweet will bow.

Oh, precious baby, mother left you,
No more kisses can you throw,
With those little hands, at mother,
In this world of sin and woe.

Oh, God, watch o'er this darling baby,
And through those who care for him
Teach him to love and serve Jesus,
Then mother he will see again.

Ones who loved her,
Callie Jackson,
Bertha Bloomingdale.

FREY
On April 9, 1922, the death angel
claimed our beloved mother, Mrs.
Nancy E. Frey, age 70 years, 2 months
and 3 days.

She died at the home of her son in
Alton, Mo. She was stricken with
paralysis on Sunday, April 2nd, while
attending meeting a few miles from
home but soon rallied and was able
to be carried home, gradually improv-
ing. On Sunday quite a few friends
called to see her and she told them
when she failed to attend meetings on
Sunday she felt like the day was wasted.
That night about 2:30 she awoke
the family by her heavy breathing,
and on trying to arouse her it was
learned that she was dying.

She was a good Christian character.
She was converted at the age of thirty-
four years, lived a member of the
Methodist church till about eight years
ago when she was sanctified, and in
the year 1920 she received the bap-
tism with the Holy Ghost and joined
the Church of God. She lived a true
Christian life and a faithful member
of the Church of God. She will be
greatly missed by the church at Couch,
Mo., and especially by her son, E. L.
Pinkley, who has been a minister for
eight years. He will miss her pray-
ers and encouraging words when per-
secutions arise.

She leaves to mourn her loss, five
children, Mrs. Mattie Frey, Liberal,
Kans., Mrs. Julia Brown, Everett,
Wash., Mrs. Maggie Thomas, Slagle,
La., E. L. Pinkley, Couch, Mo., and
Arthur Frey, Alton, Mo.

All the children were present at
the funeral except Mrs. Brown of
Washington. The services were con-
ducted at Cotton Creek church by
Brother J. B. Baney of Mountain
Grove, Mo., and Brother Biffie of
Couch, Mo., and burial at the ceme-
tery there, before a large crowd of
friends and relatives.

One who loved her,
Mrs. E. L. Pinkley,
Couch, Mo.

DEMONOLOGY

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rolled. After Sunday school was over
we had a nice Easter program for the
children and their recitations and
songs were inspiring and enjoyed by
all present. It was just wonderful to
see the little children with their
bright shining faces as they would
take the stand and sing and talk
about the glad Easter day and what
made it so grand was that a large num-
ber of these children had the Holy
Ghost.

After the program was over, Broth-
er Rumler of W. Va., gave a little
talk encouraging the children and Sun-
day school and said that in all the
states he had been in, and Church of
God Sunday schools, that he believed
the best he had been in was at El-
dorado, Ill.

After this Brother Rumler gave us a
wonderful message on the Resurrec-
tion of Christ using for his text Luke
24:5, 6. The power fell and the saints
were shouting, crying and praising
God all over the house. After the
message was over he sang several
songs including Will the Circle be Un-
broken? and asked every one who
didn't want the circle broken to come
and give him his hand. Almost every
one in the house came up and gave
his hand and was crying, shouting
and praising God. We closed with
great victory in our souls and singing,
praise God from whom all blessings
flow.

Brother Rumler is holding a re-
vival meeting and although he has
been with us but a few days, he has
gained many friends and is loved by
many. Multitudes are coming to hear
the good messages that are going forth
in power. He seems to be like Paul,
he doesn't know anything save Jesus
Christ and Him crucified. Although
we had never met Brother Rumler be-
fore we sure do love him and believe
that he is a man of God called to
preach His gospel to this lost world.
We would like to keep him with us all
the time if it were the Lord's will.

There has been wonderful improv-
ment in our Sunday school in the last
three months and we certainly do ap-
preciate our good superintendent. We
ordered Brother Luther Richard's lit-
tle books for the children and we sure
do like them. We would advise all
Sunday schools of the Church of God to
purchase these little books for the
children. They are fine.

A. G. Edmonds, pastor,
1104 Kerr St.,
Eldorado, Ill.

Determined to be Loyal

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the
Church of God Scattered Abroad—
Greetings of Holy Love to All:
Praise the dear Lord! I praise
Him for being saved from my sins,
for being sanctified wholly with the
precious blood of Jesus, cleansed from
inbred sin, and the mighty Holy
Ghost abides right now, praise God,
and I am added to the Church of God.
Dear ones, I love her government and
I am determined to be loyal. We are
in the best thing on earth. I feel the
fire burning in my soul, I am looking
for great things to take place this
year. Oh, I want to be humble and
be able to say something that will
win some soul. How we need our
speech seasoned with love and kind
words. Love indeed will surely win
souls.

I want to mention a dear widow
woman who has been a faithful and
loyal member of the Church of God
since 1917. Her husband died about
two weeks ago after an illness of
about two months. She was left with
four little children and now she is sick.
Pray for her needs to be supplied. The
local church is doing its best but
most of the members are women with
no income. The sister is Mrs. Della
Hall, Duke, N. C. "Pure religion and
undefiled before God and the Father
is this, To visit the fatherless and
widows in their affliction, and to keep
himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

Your brother in Jesus,
J. A. West,
Stedman, N. C.

Harvest is Plenteous but Laborers are Few

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All
Saints Everywhere—Greetings:
I am praising God for His love to-
wards even me. I praise Him for
showing me the right way.

I was saved, sanctified and baptized
with the Holy Ghost Jan. 7, 1917 and
a week later was baptized in water
for which I praise God. For a while
I would not accept the Church of God
government for I said that Jesus did
not have a government when He was
on earth and I did not believe in it.

I had been asking God to lead and
guide me in the right path and it
came in a way unexpected. Praise
the Lord! Last week I picked up
the Bible to read it and opened at
2 Pet. 2:10 where He said, "But
chiefly them that walk after the
flesh is the lust of uncleanness, and
despise government. Presumptuous
are they, speak evil of dignities." That
was my very picture and I
could see it as plain as day and
understood what it meant to me.
Hallelujah! I am praising God for
leading me and teaching me in such
a way that it was possible for me to
understand.

I desire the prayers of the saints
that my husband will be saved and
that we may go into the vineyard
and work for Jesus, "For the harvest
truly is plenteous but the laborers
are few." Matt. 9:37.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. Florence Braswell,
Morgan City, La.

Oh How Glad I Would Be to Do More for Jesus

THOUSANDS OF THE FOLLOWERS OF JE-
SUS HAVE THIS GREAT DESIRE—THEY
HAVE SUCH A POWERFUL AMBITION TO DO
SOMETHING FOR THEIR LORD WHO HAS
DONE SUCH GREAT THINGS FOR THEM—
BUT SOMETHING HINDERS THEM.

Here in this busy world we simply have no time to
lose—time is passing so rapidly. Every day of your life
thousands of souls drop into hell, and then, how can you
after knowing this, afford to even think of not preparing to
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Men Needed Who Will Suffer, Stand, Die, for Gospel

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the
Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings
in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am still saved, sanctified and
filled with the precious Holy Ghost
and in the Church of God and can
say with the Psalmist David, "I wait-
ed patiently for the Lord; and he
inclined unto me, and heard my cry.
He brought me up also out of an
horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and
set my feet upon a rock, and es-
tablished my goings." Psa. 40:1, 2.

It is a wonderful thing to receive
the ingrafted word which is able to
save our souls but oh, how blessed
to be established, unshakable and
unmovable in God's Word until all
the combined powers of the enemy
will have no effect upon us. I hear
Solomon as he says, "Let thine eyes
look right on, and let thine eye-lids
look straight before thee. Ponder the
path of thy feet, and let all thy ways
be established." Prov. 4:25, 26.

What the world needs in these
last days is men who will not allow
themselves to look on any but the
right way. Men who will not even
look to the right or to the left but
will stand in the straight and narrow
path which has been marked out by
the blood of Jesus and should any
thought arise in our minds that would
cause us to turn in either direction,
let's ponder the path we are travel-
ing in and pause long enough that
we may become established on the
path which cost the life of our
blessed Savior that we might walk
thereon.

We see men almost every day
who are established on some certain
parts of God's Word and who can
run well as long as there is no battle
to fight but when the enemy com-
bines his forces and we are in battle
against him and as the battle be-
comes fierce and the cannons of the
enemy are heard to belch forth, we
can see the soldiers retreat and com-
promise with the enemy because they
are not established. We have many
good soldiers today who are de-
termined to press the battle and go
at the command of our great Captain
at the risk of their own lives but oh,
how we need recruits, men who will
suffer, men who will stand, men who
will die if needs be for the whole
gospel.

When the battle is over and the
smoke has cleared away, will you
be found standing like a statue with
teeth set and that grim determined
look on your face looking straight
ahead into the enemy's rank or if
you have fallen in the battle will
you be found with face towards the
enemy?

Beloved, if we are weak and floun-
dering on any part of God's Word, it
is time we were being established
as we can easily see the sun sinking,
the twilight is gathering and the mid-
night cry can almost be heard, "Be-
hold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye

out to meet him." Will He find you
established?

Your unworthy brother,
E. C. Scarbrough,
Imboden, Ark.

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what to do.

Started to Go All the Way

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the
Dear Saints—Greetings in Jesus'
Dear Name:

I am praising God for letting me see
the light on sanctification and the bap-
tism of the Holy Ghost and that it
is the right way.

I am one just saved from sin but
the dear Lord has shown me that it
takes the three experiences to get in
to the Marriage Supper. I am one
who is praying that I may be ready
when the Bridegroom comes.

I thought I received the Holy Ghost
when I was saved from sin but by
reading God's Word and praying, the
Lord showed me I had just been saved
from sin and that I would have to do
more than I was doing. I was one
who had fought holiness and said there
was nothing to it and that I was just
as good as the holiness people were
and that I was not going to have any-
thing to do with them but I want to
tell you, good people, the Lord
showed me that I was the one that
was wrong.

I praise the dear Lord that He let
me live to see where I was going. I
have started to go all the way and I
know it takes holiness. I have heard
preachers stand in the pulpit and
preach that they had the Holy Ghost
when they were only saved from sin.
Lord, do show such preachers the
light on the gospel and for them to
preach sanctification and holiness.
They say they are going to a pure and
holy place and then will stand in the
pulpit and fight the Holy Ghost. I tell
you, dear friends, I had rather start
to heaven in an aeroplane than try to
get to heaven without holiness.

I ask the saints everywhere to pray
for me that I may get all the Lord
has for me and that I may be humble
and willing to do just what the Lord
says to do.

Your sister in Jesus,
Francis Smith,
Live Oak, Fla.

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THE BEAST FROM THE EARTH

(Apocalypse, Chapter 13:11-18)

F. J. Lee

Ques. What did we decide as to what the beast out of the sea represented?

Ans. The beast out of the sea represents the antichrist with his governmental powers.

Ques. What did his coming from the sea represent?

Ans. It doubtless represents the rising of his kingdom out from among the people.

Ques. What is the meaning of this other beast coming out of the earth?

Ans. In this instance the Greek word for earth is (ge) which means not only the terrestrial globe, but the inhabitants as well, therefore, it would give no violence to good reason to state that this beast will not only come from the earth (raised from dust) but as a beast in governmental powers, he will arise from among the inhabitants.

Ques. Why were two horns represented on this beast, but like the horns of a lamb?

Ans. He is to be the prophet of the antichrist, doubtless, he will wear priestly robes and look very pious and perform great miracles. Power will be given to him to enforce his doctrines and teachings upon the people. This spiritual power and temporal power then, doubtless, answers to that of the two horns.

Ques. Where will he get his power for performing his great feats?

Ans. He, like the antichrist, will be moved upon by Satan, this is why he speaks as a dragon.

Ques. What is said of the power of this beast?

Ans. Verse 12 says, "He exerciseth all the power of the first beast."

Ques. Could the first beast (antichrist) perform miracles?

Ans. Yes, because he was wholly prompted by Satan and Satan's power is very great.

Ques. What will this false prophet cause the inhabitants to do?

Ans. He will cause (Syria, seduced) the inhabitants to worship the antichrist whose deadly wound was healed. Verse 12.

Ques. How will this beast with lamb like horns seduce the people to worship the antichrist?

Ans. He will do it by the great wonders that he will perform in the sight of the beast (antichrist). Verses 13, 14.

Ques. What is one of the wonders he will perform?

Ans. He will call fire down from above. Verse 13.

Ques. What does John say that these miracles will do for the people?

Ans. They will be deceived by them. Verse 14.

Ques. What other thing will he do by authority of which the horns represent?

Ans. He will cause an image of the antichrist to be made. Verse 14.

Ques. What, by the authority of these horns, will he further do?

Ans. He will force the inhabitants to worship this image on the penalty of death if they do not. Verse 15.

Ques. What will he do to the image to more fully deceive the people?

Ans. He will cause it to talk.

Ques. How could this be?

Ans. By the aid of demons. They will do the talking.

Ques. What will this false prophet do to all classes who worship this image or offer allegiance to the antichrist?

Ans. He will cause them to receive a mark in their right hands or in their foreheads. Verse 16.

Ques. Of what will the mark consist?

Ans. It will be a certain peculiar mark, or the antichrist's name or his number, either one will do to identify them with. Verse 17.

Ques. What is the number of his name said to be?

Ans. The number of his name is Six hundred threescore and six.

Ques. Why will this mark be placed upon his subjects?

Ans. So that they may have some privileges that others who will not receive the mark will not have.

Ques. What are some of the privileges?

Ans. They may buy and sell, while a general boycott will go on against those who will not receive the mark. Also the saints will be slain, those who stand true and refuse to bow down to his image and offer allegiance to him by receiving his mark.

Ques. What is to happen to the people who receive the mark?

Ans. They shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God which shall be poured out undiluted here during the tribulation, then afterwards they shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the lake of fire forever. Chap. 14:10; 21:8.

Ques. What will become of this false prophet?

Ans. He, with the antichrist, will be taken and cast alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. Chap. 19:20. These are the two beasts men who shall be cast into the lake of fire, it is not the government or even their armies at this time, for their armies will be burned up at Tophet and will be ashes under the saints' feet. Their spirits will go to hades to await the last resurrection a thousand years later, at which time death and hades will give up their inhabitants to appear at the great white throne and then be cast into the lake of fire where the other two men (antichrist and false prophet)

(et) will have been for one thousand years.

Ques. What does a figure six stand for?

Ans. It is a bad number, figures represent something, and six represents something bad or wicked.

Ques. What would three sixes represent?

Ans. If one six is bad, three sixes would be triple bad, representing perhaps, Satan, antichrist and prophet.

Ques. What does 666 numerically represent in verse 18?

Ans. They represent the numerical value of the letters of the antichrist's name.

Ques. Is there just one name that will figure out 666?

Ans. No. There are many names that will figure out 666, hundreds of commentators have suggested names, because it happened to figure out 666 from some alphabet, either Greek Hebrew or Latin. Some have figured that the pope will be the antichrist because the name "on his crown" figures to be 666. Some say that Nero will be the antichrist, others say Napoleon. Many names have been suggested and figured to be 666. They can't all be right, but there is one somewhere.

Ques. What then shall we decide about the 666?

Ans. I am sure it represents the name of the beast but in order to get the name that the 666 represents, we must find one that corresponds to the other prophecies that apply to the beast.

Ques. What are some of them?

Ans. He is the king of the north. He is the eighth king of one of the seven heads. He is the one that was slain but will come to life. He is the fellow that took away the daily sacrifice, and will be repeated. He is the fellow that the inmates of Sheol rose up to meet when he went to be with them. He is the king of Babylon in Isaiah. He is the Assyrian of Jeremiah, and the Roman in Luke 21; Dan. 9. These are some marks of identity. If we can learn the many names that figure 666, one that will fit these marks of identity, surely we will have him located. I will say his grave is not on this side of the ocean yet I will not appear so dogmatic as to say publicly who he is, but will leave this for meditation.

Ques. Who is to be the false prophet?

Ans. Some say that this beast from the earth is the United States. If the first beast is a man ruling a great government and the ten horns are ten great kings that give their power and strength to the beast, it is just as reasonable that the second beast is a man. And as the antichrist has with him a prophet who will be cast into the lake of fire at the same time, not the United States cast in with the antichrist, but a prophet. The United States will not call fire down from heaven, neither will she as a great nation perform many miracles more than the people of other nations. Neither do the horns represent the two great parties, Republican and Democrat. If this were so there should have been signs of other little horns cropping out, representing other political parties. The two horns of this beast from the earth were soft, tender horns like lamb's horns, representing nothing more than a smooth mouth prophet, yet with spiritual and temporal power.

Ques. Who could more fully represent this prophet than the betrayer of our Lord?

Ans. Some may think this rather dogmatic but the Bible is our guide. Judas went to his place, doubtless, signifying that there was a place for Judas to be kept for this last event, like Enoch and Elijah are kept in their places to later fill their part. Judas was Satan's masterpiece in trying to do away with Jesus at the first. Satan is determined to not be outdone and doubtless, he yet will bring forth his masterpiece (Judas) to make another desperate effort. Who could better fill the bill than Judas?

Ques. What two men in the Bible are referred to as "son of perdition"?

Ans. There are only two men mentioned as the son of perdition and that is Judas and the antichrist which doubtless means born out of perdition. All wicked men are doomed to perdition but not to come out, these will come forth from this place, therefore, will be sons of perdition.

Ques. Who is to be over the prophet and who is to stand by him that stands over the prophet?

Ans. You say at once, "The antichrist will be over the prophet, and Satan will stand by the antichrist."

Ques. What statement do we have in Psalms about this?

Ans. "Set thou a wicked man over him; and let Satan stand at his right hand. When he shall be judged, let him be condemned; and let his prayer become sin. Let his days be few; and let another take his office." Psa. 109:6-8.

Ques. Did Judas repent?

Ans. Yes, he wept bitterly, but his weeping didn't touch the Lord, it became sin. He laughs at men's calamities when they go so far.

Ques. What statement do we find in Acts 1:20 about Judas?

Ans. "For it is written in the book of Psalms (Psa. 109). Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein; and his bishopric let another take." Acts 1:20. We find no place where it was written but Psa. 109 and there it says let

his days be few, let another take his office, also set a wicked man over him and Satan standing by the wicked man.

Ques. Has this yet been fulfilled?

Ans. Not fully. In order that it be fulfilled Judas must come out of perdition and the antichrist, the other son of perdition, stand over him, that is, in authority and Satan is over him in authority. Nothing fulfilled but that part, "Let another take his office." This was fulfilled in Matthias.

(To be Continued)

Her Heart Goes Out For the Lost

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am glad this morning finds me on my road to glory. I have never found another way that pleases me any better than this way. It seems sometimes that we have a hard time but let us just look to Jesus.

Dear ones, my heart goes out for lost souls and friends. We need to pray more for the lost souls and those who have the Holy Ghost should live the life before their sinners friends.

I am out selling the Faithful Standard and trying to help spread the message all I can. I am not a preacher but some day I hope I can get out and tell the people what the Lord has done for me and what He will do for them if they will get humble.

I am going to send some vegetables to the Orphans Home. I think every one who has children should help for we know that we would rather our children go there and be raised up right if we should happen to die. Let us try to help while we are living, even if our children do not have to go there it would help some other motherless child. Dear friends, it is something to study over, when it comes to leaving our little children and not knowing whose hands they will fall into. Let us help the little orphan children for we do not know who is going to keep our little ones.

Sister Flora E. Gee is the pastor of our church and I want all to pray for her. Pray for this place. I would like to hear from some of the saints.

Your sister in Christ,

Maud Nevel,

Box 73, Moorhead, Miss.

Sunday School Organized in Gloster, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints of God:

I am praising God for full and free salvation. Praise the Lord forever! He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and added me to the great Church of God. Glory to His precious name.

I am praising the Lord for our new tabernacle that was set in order here for a place of worship.

Brother Haynes and wife and Brother G. G. Williams closed a weeks meeting here last night. They organized a Sunday school for which we are praising the Lord. I am so glad my Lord picked me up out of sin. Glory to His name for without holiness we cannot see His face.

Your brother in Christ,

C. I. Tarver,

Gloster, Miss.

Loves the Church of God

Dear Saints Everywhere:

I thank the Lord for the love down in my soul and for the blessed Holy Ghost. Oh, how I love the dear old Church of God.

I want to thank the Lord for Brother J. C. Jernigan, our pastor, from Cleveland, Tenn. He surely wants to obey them that have the rule over him. Love will do that. Thank the Lord!

I know the Lord wants me to preach His Word and I am ready to go anytime and anywhere the Lord wants me to go. I hear the Lord telling me to go and preach the gospel to the lost dying world. There are so many that want to hear the true gospel. Oh, the love that is in my heart. Oh, how I love the dear old Church of God for God is love!

Let us all get busy and send one dollar a piece to Brother Tomlinson and help pay up that debt. The Lord will supply our needs.

Your brother in Christ,

William J. Headrick,

Birchwood, Tenn.

Praising God for Full Salvation

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Scattered Abroad:

I am praising God for what He has done for me. About eighteen years ago He saved me and about one year ago He sanctified me and gave me the Holy Ghost. I praise Him because He added me to the dear old Church of God, something I am not ashamed of.

I want all the saints to pray for me. I have four little children gone on and by the help of God I mean to meet them in heaven. I have five little ones living and by the help of God I mean to raise them up for His service.

Your sister in Jesus,

Mrs. Ora Decker,

Altoona, Ala.

NEW SONG

Mrs. S. J. Heath's new song. There is a Rainbow, and Shine O Let it Shine, combined, is now ready on sale at the Evangel office. Price 10 cents.

Looking for Greater Things Ahead

We have just closed a weeks meeting at or near Odum, Ga., at Piney Grove church. Two received the Holy Ghost and nine were added to the church. The saints seemed to be greatly blessed of the Lord. Five have received the Holy Ghost and several were saved and twenty-six added to the church in our meetings recently at the churches of Fitzgerald, Lenox and Odum, Ga., where we are pastor and are looking for greater things just ahead.

Your brother in Christ,

E. B. Culpepper.

Bright Light Seen Above Tabernacle

Have just closed a meeting near Plant City, Fla., with great victory. About ten were saved, five sanctified and three were filled with the Holy Ghost and spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance.

A sister at home looked across the woods and saw a bright light above the tabernacle where meeting was going on. She was thrilled by the mighty power of God, made her way to the tabernacle, confessed and declared she would be more attentive to the Lord's work.

Lovingly yours,

G. W. Peeples.

Sunday School Increased One-Hundred Per Cent.

The Lord is doing wonderful things for us at Clark's Chapel, Texas. Our district meeting was wonderful. The power and blessings of God was manifested from the first until the last service. Our state overseer was in charge and did wonderful preaching. The visitors and home folks together were greatly built up. God is wonderfully blessing our efforts this year with souls. Our Sunday school is one of the best in the state. We have increased one hundred per cent. in attendance since last year. The saints are shouting and sinners are getting saved in the regular services. We are expecting a sweeping victory this year.

T. M. McClendon.

God is Blessing in Nashville

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Evangel Family:

I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for what God is doing for us in Nashville.

We have just closed a revival here which lasted three or four weeks. The Lord surely did pour out His power on us. About fourteen were saved, sixteen sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost for we heard them speak with tongues; eleven followed the Lord in water baptism and eight were added to the dear old Church of God. The saints were wonderfully blessed, the sick were healed, the saints talked in tongues and danced under the mighty power of God and the church is shining with about fifty members. We are getting along fine paying our building out of debt.

Dear readers, pray for us that we will stay in the center of God's will until He comes or calls.

Thy brother under the blood, and for lost souls,

T. A. Richard,

1414 Jo-Johnson Ave.,

Nashville, Tenn.

Happy Are Ye If Ye Do Them

I want to report victory for the church here at Trafford, Ala. On Saturday night, Apr. 15th, Sister Simpson, our pastor, was with us and preached a good sermon and made an altar call. My sister went to the altar and was saved.

On the following day we had our Easter program and our children did fine, reciting their pieces and singing the beautiful songs of the resurrection. At the close of the program, Sister Simpson preached a powerful sermon on the resurrection, after which my sister went to the altar again and was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. On that night we had a wonderful service, the power fell and the saints danced, praised the Lord and feasted. I believe it was as beautiful a service as I was ever in. After the preaching service we observed the Lord's supper and washed one another's feet, sang a song and went away happy because we had done what Jesus said for us to do. John 13:17.

Your brother in Jesus,

W. E. Motes,

Trafford, Ala.

Sweet Fellowship at Convention

I want to report victory for the Sobel district. I had the privilege of attending the district convention, Apr. 15, 16, which was conducted by our state overseer, M. W. Lettinger. He surely did preach the Word with power and God set His seal on it. The district was well represented by delegates from all the churches but one and there was the sweetest of fellowship among the saints. The power fell, we talked in tongues, danced under the power and all felt good to be there.

The district is a needy field, Brother C. C. McGowan, the district overseer, is doing his best, but he is needing help. God will surely reward him for his faithfulness. Surely the harvest is ripe and the laborers are few. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest," for it is time

THE CHURCH OF GOD AS A BUILDING

T. S. Payne

(Continued from last week)

"They shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations." Isa. 61:4.

The prophet was looking down the stream of time to the place where God's Church had been established, and not only this, but had been covered with the creeds and doctrines of people, then a class of people are being raised up in this Holy Ghost dispensation whom he said would raise up the former desolations and build the waste cities or, in other words, reestablish the Church of God in the last days.

In Isa. 60:5 we read that when this time comes, "Thou shalt see, and flow together." Not only shall we see alike but we shall flow together and when we get together we will be at the place that God has fixed for us and will be called by His name.

"And it shall come to pass in the last days (and we are in the last days), that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills." Isa. 2:2.

The house or Church of God is above every other organization in the world and is exalted above the hills (these other organizations known as churches) and all nations shall flow into it. They are coming from every nation of the world into the Church of God. It is the Church of God that Jesus has authorized to preach this gospel to the ends of the world.

"And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the house of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion (the Church of God) shall go forth the law." Isa. 2:3.

Judgment has really begun at the house of God and we are giving out the third and last great call in this dispensation of light and thousands are heeding the call of the Spirit of God and coming into the Church of God as the prophet said they would do. "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name." Isa. 62:1,2.

When the name was changed from Zion, it was called a church and the month of the Lord named it, therefore, people ought to be willing to leave their old name for a curse unto His chosen, "For the Lord God shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name." Isa. 65:15.

"And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon

Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matt. 16:17.

Notice, Jesus said, "I will build my church." While He was on earth He went about preaching but did not build or establish the Church until after He went away and sent the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost and fixed some men up for that purpose so He gave it into the hands of people to establish the Church of God and no other one has also described the kind of material to be used, the place of building, the foundation upon which she was to be built, established a law or government for her and He is her great divine head and says we must hear Him in all things. He did establish His Church here on earth and gave His people, her members, power to do business for Him.

"Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." Eph. 2:19,20.

In order for us to be on the entire foundation of the apostles and prophets we must surely preach and practice the entire doctrine they taught. Those who just teach repentance and water baptism are on the foundation alright but not the entire foundation.

To be the building of God as it is outlined in the New Testament Scriptures, we must have the whole doctrine of the Bible. "In whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord. In whom ye also are built together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." Eph. 2:20-22.

"For we are labourers together with God; * * * ye are God's building." 1 Cor. 3:9.

In the Church of God we are to be so fitly framed together and every one set in his proper place until we will work as harmoniously as the wheels of a watch that keeps perfect time, willing to do and be done by as the Lord has ordered in His Word.

As we follow the great Word of God we will get to the place that Paul spoke of in Eph. 4:11, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers." These are all a natural necessity for the perfecting of the saints of God. Until we come to this standard and contend for all that God has set in the Church, we cannot afford to be called the Church of God for which Jesus shed His blood to sanctify.

(To be Continued)

to reap. Let us not be idle a moment for he that turns many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever.

Yours and His,
T. A. Richard,
1414 Jo-Johnson Ave.,
Nashville, Tenn.

Successful Sunday School at Kellyville, W. Va.

Dearly Beloved:

I am praising God for victory over sin and the devil and for the great love of God and for the Church of God Sunday school at Kellyville, W. Va. We well remember its birth or beginning, how that after much prayer and supplication to God for a successful Sunday school, God moved on my heart to appoint Brother Earl Bailey for superintendent and Sister Wilmath Whitlow for secretary, and faithful teachers, workers and attendants, too many to call by name.

It was prophesied by some that she would die in her infancy but, praise the dear Lord, she has lived through the winter, also through many trials and tests and has grown in size and beauty and if you could have seen her Easter morning decked with beautiful flowers and heard the appropriate Easter songs, dialogues and recitations, all suitable and to the glory of the risen Christ of Calvary and if you could have beheld her order you would have been astonished at her growth in a year and would wonder what the future would be. The building is already too small and we are expecting her to enjoy many more years growth if Jesus tarries.

I read in the blessed Holy Bible to render to all their dues; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear and honour to whom honour is due. I truly think the Kellyville Sunday school is worthy of commendation for its faithfulness and special training.

Your humble servant and pastor,
Laud L. Vaught,
Oakvale, W. Va.

God is Blessing in Louisville, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All of the Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I want to report victory at Louisville. Brother Albee of New Jersey has been here with us in a twelve nights revival. God blessed Brother Albee as he preached the Word. Fourteen were saved, ten sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost and three

were added to the church. We can't tell all the results, only eternity will reveal it. Our place of worship was too small to hold the congregation.

Brother Albee and I went to work and obtained the big auditorium on Broadway and Brook Street which seats about 10,000 people, to hold our state assembly in the first five days of July. The remainder of the month we will have a campaign conducted by Brother Albee, lasting thirty days. We want the saints to pray for this meeting. It means something for the great Church of God to get a hold in a place of this kind. We are looking for a great time with the Lord and a coming together of God's people in the city of Louisville.

God has been blessing the work here this year. There have been thirty-seven saved, twenty-four sanctified, sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost and twenty-six added to the church. We also have a church for the colored people which is shining for Jesus.

The members here are on fire for God and a great many are paying tithes and the offerings are good. Others are seeing the light and are going to pay tithes and offerings. Pray for the work here. We need your prayers.

Your brother in Christ,
Guy Marlow,
533 S. 18th St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Praising God For Bible Training School

To All the Dear Saints Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am praising Him because He sanctified me with His precious blood.

I am praising and thanking Jesus for ever leading me to a tent meeting one night where I heard the full gospel preached for the first time. I had belonged to the Methodist church for seven years but saw right there that God had more for me than the Methodists taught. I am so glad the Lord led me out on this highway of holiness. I do not belong to the Church of God but expect to in the near future.

I am praising God for the Bible Training School. I am on my ninth lesson and wouldn't give what God has revealed to me and the blessings He has bestowed upon me since I commenced studying by correspondence for this whole world. Glory! Glory!

I want all the saints everywhere to pray that God will baptize me with the Holy Ghost. Also pray for my husband and children.

THE DESTINY OF THE EARTH

O. L. Williams

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heaven shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up." 2 Pet. 3:10.

Almost six thousand years ago God created the heavens and the earth and the earth was very good at that time. Gen. 1:31. God must have had a purpose in view when He created the earth. "For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else." Isa. 45:18. So it is very plain that God created the earth to be inhabited, but not by a wicked people for when God created man and put him in the garden of Eden man was very good and everything God had was very good but the man disobeyed God and lost his right to the tree of life. Gen. 3:22.

God cursed the earth because man sinned and He said unto Adam, "In sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life." Gen. 3:17. Now we have man in a lost condition and the earth in a cursed condition. Man must be redeemed and the earth destroyed and a new earth created so God's purpose can be carried out. Man can be saved by hope and have redemption, Rom. 8:23,24, and we find that God has promised a new earth, "For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind." Isa. 65:17.

"Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." 2 Pet. 3:13. There are righteous people on the earth today but when the new earth comes wherein dwelleth righteousness then every one will be righteous and the earth will be pure, this wicked state of the earth will not come into mind and Jesus will be our King of kings and Lord of lords. Oh, what a happy time this will be with no sin, no sorrow, no crying, no pain. Praise God! What a wonderful thought of redemption, peace and happiness! Don't you want to get in this highway of holiness and get the power of God so that when this old earth begins to reel and rock and melt with fervent heat you can mount up above it and ride with the power of God? "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout; with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thes. 4:16, 17.

The saints will reign with Christ a thousand years but this reign is to take place while the devil is bound. "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years. And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. And I saw thrones and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them, and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years." Rev. 20:1-4.

It can be plainly seen that this reign takes place before the rest of the dead (the wicked) are raised and before the devil is loosed. We do not find the new earth until the wicked are raised and the devil and the wicked are cast into the lake of fire. Rev. 20:14,15. But after this had come to pass John immediately saw a new heaven and a new earth. Listen.

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." Rev. 21:1-4. The reason there are no tears, death sorrow or pain is because the former things are passed away.

What was it that man lost the right to when he sinned? It was the tree of life. Let us see if we can find man restored back to his right. After John saw the new heaven and the new earth and after all sorrow and crying, death and pain are done away he said:

"And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be

in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever." Rev. 22:1-5.

Now we have the righteous saints raised, the devil and all the wicked raised, the devil bound for a thousand years, the devil loosed, the dead cast into the lake of fire, and the new earth and the tree of life upon this new earth with the holy city, and man given the right to the tree of life and to reign with God forever. Oh! how wonderful it is to think about this happy home, where we can see God face to face.

Oh, I want to see Him, look upon His face; There to sing forever of His saving grace.

"To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God." Rev. 2:7.

"And hast made us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the (new) earth." Rev. 5:10.

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth." Matt. 5:5.

May God bless all who read this and may He keep us by His mighty power and give us a home on the new earth when His plan is complete.

Drawn Closer to Jesus Through Evangel

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name: The little Evangel has been such a help to me, I am anxious to tell others about it for I was a backslider in the Baptist church and it helped me draw closer to Jesus. I was struck down by typhoid fever Jan. 8, 1922 and grew worse and worse until I came near death's portal. My awful sentence of hell appeared before my eyes plainly and so I cried and begged God to forgive me and give me one more chance to do His will.

Two weeks after I could walk again, I went to the Church of God. It was twelve miles to the nearest church which is at Linden, Fla. I had never condemned their teachings and I enjoyed the services so much. I have just been to Center Hill, Fla., to the district conference and Brother Self did some wonderful preaching. I am glad to know more of this way. It is all in all to me. I came back by Linden, Fla., and spent four days and while there I was taken sick and the dear saints prayed and I was healed.

I am seeking the Holy Ghost and ask the children of God to pray for me. The way gets better each day. I won't backslide any more for I am determined by the help of Jesus to ever look ahead and not behind, look up and not down and to ever pray and praise His name. This is such a clean church and so bright. I can't tell how I love the Church of God. I am glad I've found the true church and I am going to make it my home henceforth. I am trusting the Lord with my body as well as my soul.

I am grieved to think that I am away from any Church of God people. It is cold out here but by God's saving grace I'll stand the test and win the victory over Satan and praise Him for the persecutions I have passed through, for I am on my way to glory rejoicing.

May God bless the two dear papers and ever lead us onward. Your saved sister under the blood, Mrs. Mabel Neal, Lacoochee, Fla.

Praising the Lord For Answering Prayer

Dear Saints and Evangel Readers: I have been reading the Evangel and thought it might be a help to some one for me to tell what our Lord has done for us.

We had influenza about a month ago and trusted the Lord for our healing. All of us were sick but our baby was worse than the rest. It looked like we would lose her but we begged the Lord day and night to heal her and let us keep her. We are praising Him for answering our prayers.

We want every one who reads this to pray for us to receive the Holy Ghost and be more like Jesus every day so that we can raise our children in a way that will be pleasing to the Lord. We want to live a true life so our children will be safe in following us. We do not want to lead them wrong for we want to see them all singing around the throne.

I am not a member of the Church of God but I know it is right and the only one the Bible speaks of. I do not see how people can say they do not believe in holiness if they believe the Bible for it is plain to me that we must live free from sin if we ever expect to make heaven our home.

Pray for us and our unsaved children. I have asked the Lord if it is all of my children saved and then when I leave this world I will expect them to meet me in heaven, then we will be where we will part no more. Your brother and sister, seeking a closer walk with God.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Newton, Haleyville, Ala.

1922 CALENDARS.

We have in stock the 1922 edition of the Christian Life Calendar. Every month shows a beautiful Bible colored picture, and it gives a Scripture verse for every day. They are much nicer to have hanging on the wall in the home than calendars that advertise medicine and other things inappropriate for a Christian home. Price \$3.00 each, postpaid. Order of Evangel Office.

LOVE—UNITY NEVER FAILETH

Clara Mullikin

"Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish." Esther 4:16.

All Bible students know the story of the beautiful Queen Esther, who made this wonderful decision, yet we feel it good to look deeper into this beautiful life, to better understand its true spiritual meaning. As Job said in chapter 42:5, "I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee." To trace the hand of God and fully understand how He can deliver all that put their trust in Him is the object of our thought. As we enter into the depth of this story our heart's cry is with Esther as she explains to her people—fast ye for me and I also will fast.

Little did Mordecai, the Jew, think that the hand of God was upon him when he was carried away from Jerusalem with the captivity by Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, nor that Esther, his uncle's daughter, whose father and mother were dead, whom he had taken for his own daughter, was to be a deliverer of his people. Truly God's Word is truth—"All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

At last we find Mordecai in the king's court. King Ahasuerus made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, and the nobles, and the princes of the provinces shewed them the riches of his kingdom, and when his heart was merry with wine he commanded that Vashti, the queen, should be brought before the king to show her beauty to the people and princes but she refused to come. This made the king wrath, her crown was taken from her and among the fair ladies brought before the king to choose himself a queen was Esther of our lesson. She presented herself before him and was made queen. Mordecai sat at the king's gate and counseled Esther and saved the life of the king. When inquiry was made of the matter it was learned that the two men hanged on a tree and it was written in the book of Chronicles.

Haman, the enemy of the Jews, was advanced by the king and, like Saul, did not keep small in his own eyes, but thought in his heart that there was none greater in the king's house, and because Mordecai refused to bow down to him he obtained his revenge in a decree to destroy all the Jews on a certain day. Mordecai clothed himself in sackcloth and mourned. This news was brought to the ears of Queen Esther who, although she was queen, never failed to obey her foster father in his commands, and she hastened to know the cause of his sorrow. Mordecai sent her word and also for her to intercede with the king. She feared to break the law of the king but love for her people and an obedient and willing heart to do the right prompted her to action, therefore, we hear her exclaim, "I will go—if I perish, I perish." Here we find Esther and her people bound together with that LOVE and UNITY that could not be broken. That sadness of heart when she appeared before the king brought out her true loveliness and won the heart of the king.

Today we are about ready to stand before the great King. People, yea, nations are all around us, starving and crying for the true bread that comes down from heaven. They are running to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord and shall not find it. Oh! we feel right here with Joel 2:15-18, "Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach: that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? Then will the Lord be jealous for his land, and pity his people."

Esther was true to her conviction, obeyed Mordecai, trusted God and delivered her people. We find at the close of this story that Mordecai sent letters ordaining, while Esther confirmed the two days festival of Purim, also the greatness of Ahasuerus and Mordecai, who stood next to him, and was held in high honor among the Jews, seeking their good.

Our admonition is to all, "Watch ye; stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." 1 Cor. 16:13. We are living in the last days, dense darkness envelopes the people, deceiving and being deceived. How can we break this awful spell is the question of the hour. Let us not be foolish but wise unto salvation and keep our lamps brightly burning.

Let the lower lights be burning, Send a gleam across the wave; Some poor sailor you may rescue, Some poor soul you may save.

Can we sit in midnight darkness With a smile upon our face? Can we see the souls around us, And forget His saving grace?

Lift your heads, ye sleeping Christians, God in heaven will hear our cry!

Some one surely you can rescue Ere the time for them to die.

Let us clasp our hands in friendship, Let us bind the cord more tight, Till the love of God will keep us, Marching right on in the fight.

Then like Paul we too can praise Him For His grace that took us through, And enabled us to conquer Every enemy and every foe.

A Dream Becomes a Reality

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Holy Name:

I want to praise God tonight for salvation through the blood of Jesus. For some time I have been thinking of testifying through the Evangel, which is so good to my soul, and tonight after I retired it seemed to me that I must not wait any longer so by the help of the Lord I mean to obey.

I received the Holy Ghost a little over seven years ago, joined the Pentecostal church and remained there about a year. The little band where I lived stood for the whole Bible with signs following believers and the signs did follow us, but some of the preachers would not recognize us so we stood free and in April, 1918, I joined the dear old Church of God with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn. But before I heard about the dear old Church of God I was continually longing for a deeper experience and it seemed there was something else I needed. I was earnestly seeking God and one night the Lord gave me a dream about a woman and a man which I had never seen. I thought in my dream that the woman brought me greater light and I accepted it and my husband didn't at first but did later. I did not know what the dream meant. I went to a cottage prayer meeting and there were the woman and man I saw in my dream. The woman testified and I saw just what my dream meant to me. I saw the Church of God with her beautiful government and I said, "This is what my heart has been longing for, the beautiful church with Jesus the head."

I soon united and have been satisfied with my place in her ever since and I see no other for Jesus Himself said, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Although she has many opposers, in spite of them all she is rising and shining and, praise God for ever, she is going to be on the mountain top while the opposers are left behind. Some think they are in the church if they have the Holy Ghost but, praise the good Lord, there is a real church and I want to be loyal to her teachings. My desire is to see souls saved.

Pray for us at Lester that we may be stronger in the Lord.

Your sister under the blood, Laura Thomas, Lester, W. Va.

Experience Never Grown Old

Dear Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name: I am praising God this morning for a salvation that can keep when the devil is howling. I am surely praising my Redeemer for showing me the way of holiness. About seven years ago the dear Lord saw fit to save me and in a short time He sanctified me with His precious blood. I lived a sanctified life for awhile until Brother Buckalew came to our town and began to preach the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I saw I did not have the Holy Ghost and went to the altar for more of God's blessing and He wonderfully baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as in Acts 2:4. This way shines just as brightly to me as it did when I received the blessing. Praise His holy name!

I love Jesus and can feel the mighty power of God in my body right now just like we find in His Word. "If the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."

My husband and I are in a new place where holiness has never been preached and we would like for a Church of God preacher to come to this place and preach the Word in all its fullness, confirming the Word with signs following the believers. Glory, I am glad I am a believer.

Pray for us as we want to live humble and stay where God can use us. I want to live in touch with my Savior and hear His faintest whispers. I can't express my feelings just now but I feel so free and good. I mean to live straight, walk straight and talk straight and be just what Jesus would have me be, for Jesus did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth.

A brother and sister in Jesus, Bill and Emma Edmonds, Pittsburg, Ill.

SAY IT NOW

Pearl Hutchinson

Speak the kind word, do the kind act, Ere the years have onward sped; Give me all the love and sunshine, While I'm living, not when dead.

Tell me I have made life brighter, By the loving words I've said; Tell me I have cheered and helped you, While I'm living, not when dead.

Off the way is rough and lonely, And my wounded heart has bled; Cheer me when the way is dreary, Love me now, not when I'm dead.

In the grave there is no heartache, We'll forget where sorrows led; Speak some words of hope and comfort, While I'm living, not when dead.

Tell me I've been true and faithful, Tell me ere this life is fled; In the grave I cannot hear you, Say it now, not when I'm dead.

Praying God for the Church of God Evangel

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints in the Church of God—Greetings:

I feel like adding my testimony to the many loving ones in the Evangel. I am truly praising the Lord for such a paper as the Church of God Evangel. I have read many church papers of many different denominations in my life looking for some spiritual power but had to lay them down in disgust but that I feel His wonderful power and presence with me, praise the Lord forever, and especially do I get great good from the first piece on the front page, it is just wonderful.

I praise the dear Lord that He has shown me this wonderful way. I was saved and joined the Methodist church about thirty-five years ago and then about ten years later I was licensed to preach in said church and received many wonderful blessings at the hand of God on the way, but to my sorrow it seemed that sin would creep in and that it was not possible to live without sin. I many times wished for a more perfect way that would keep from sin all the time and every day. I was limiting God's power with man's power but, thank the Lord, I found a more perfect way.

About four years ago I learned to trust Him with my body for healing

when he healed me of pellagra, but I still carried my old pipe and tobacco till last spring when I threw it away and, to my surprise, I have not wanted it at all since but I am disgusted when I see others smoking in public and on the cars among ladies.

Last Thanksgiving day I was sanctified and later on baptized with the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. He came to me at night, at home in bed after I had been seeking some time and had received a powerful blessing at the church that day. I did not believe that talking in tongues was for me till I was convinced by reading the Scripture that every time that the Holy Ghost fell on any one as recorded in the Scripture that they talked in tongues. Then I had never seen anything in water baptism till the Spirit showed it to me. I had accepted a little water poured or sprinkled on as baptism but I soon arose and was baptized in the water with my wife following and now we are added to the great Church of God and oh, what a glorious thought to me and how I love the church of God.

Soon after this there broke out a mighty revival at the church in Tampa which lasted nearly seven weeks. We attended all the time and many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and many were added to the church, the exact number I do not know but Brother Stephens baptized twenty-two in water, at one time and others are to be baptized yet. Brothers Lemons and Haynes and others were here part of the time and helped wonderfully with the preaching and singing. All people say that it was the most powerful meeting they were ever in and I have never seen the like in my life. I am just as happy as can be and on FIRE to go on and get out in His vineyard and win others to Him by preaching this wonderful gospel in its fullness and the power of the Holy Ghost which I am determined to do as fast as the opportunity is offered.

Dear saints, pray for me and may God bless every one that may chance to read this.

W. R. Sexton, Tampa, Fla.

Healed After Given Up by Physicians

To the Evangel Family and Saints Scattered Abroad:

I want to sound a note of praise to my blessed Redeemer for what He has done for me.

About three years ago I became helpless with what seven of the best doctors around here pronounced paralysis. I walked with a crutch and most of the time had to be fed like a baby.

Two years and a half ago, I received the Holy Ghost under the preaching of S. O. Gillaspie. Three months later I received the revelation on the Church of God and was added.

I have been trusting God for both soul and body for a year and on Mar. 12th God wonderfully healed my body. I was given up by the second best surgical O. P. in the U. S. A., but the Lord healed me from being as helpless as a baby so that I could get up and dress myself. God healed me in a moment's time. If anybody doubts this let them write to me personally and I will give them references.

The Lord is blessing in Lawrenceville. Brother Harwood is our pastor and he surely has the victory.

I love the Church of God and her government and teachings. I certainly praise my Redeemer above any one else and want an interest in your prayers that I will stay humble and true.

Your loving sister under the blood, Mrs. W. H. Carrell, 1413-7th and Collins, Lawrenceville, Ill.

Healed by Laying on of the Evangel

To Brother Tomlinson, and Saints—In Jesus' Name I Send Greetings:

I am praising God that tonight finds me still shouting the victory over sin. I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost.

I am so glad that salvation is free and whosoever will may come and drink of the water of life freely. Oh, praise the Lord forever.

I want to sound a note of praise for His healing power. My husband had the "flu" and was very ill and we were living away from saints so we could not send for any one to come and pray as we were strangers and we knew of no one who trusted the Lord for their healing so we just got the Evangel and laid it on his head (the pain was in his head) and, praise the Lord, he was healed. Oh, truly this way is joy unspeakable and full of glory.

We moved here last December. There are no Church of God people here. Oh, I do so long to see the people here come into the kingdom but the true doctrine has never been preached here. I want all the saints who read this to please pray earnestly that God will send a Spirit filled man (member of Church of God and standing solid and firm for her government) to preach here. Pray! Pray! Everything has been preached here except the gospel in its fullness.

Your sister under the blood, Alice Webster, Malden, Mo.

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when he healed me of pellagra, but I still carried my old pipe and tobacco till last spring when I threw it away and, to my surprise, I have not wanted it at all since but I am disgusted when I see others smoking in public and on the cars among ladies.

Last Thanksgiving day I was sanctified and later on baptized with the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. He came to me at night, at home in bed after I had been seeking some time and had received a powerful blessing at the church that day. I did not believe that talking in tongues was for me till I was convinced by reading the Scripture that every time that the Holy Ghost fell on any one as recorded in the Scripture that they talked in tongues. Then I had never seen anything in water baptism till the Spirit showed it to me. I had accepted a little water poured or sprinkled on as baptism but I soon arose and was baptized in the water with my wife following and now we are added to the great Church of God and oh, what a glorious thought to me and how I love the church of God.

Soon after this there broke out a mighty revival at the church in Tampa which lasted nearly seven weeks. We attended all the time and many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and many were added to the church, the exact number I do not know but Brother Stephens baptized twenty-two in water, at one time and others are to be baptized yet. Brothers Lemons and Haynes and others were here part of the time and helped wonderfully with the preaching and singing. All people say that it was the most powerful meeting they were ever in and I have never seen the like in my life. I am just as happy as can be and on FIRE to go on and get out in His vineyard and win others to Him by preaching this wonderful gospel in its fullness and the power of the Holy Ghost which I am determined to do as fast as the opportunity is offered.

Dear saints, pray for me and may God bless every one that may chance to read this.

W. R. Sexton, Tampa, Fla.

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